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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 18, 2002

APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA NATURAL GAS, INC.

CASE NO. PUE-2002-00237

For approval of a Weather Normalization Adjustment Rider

ORDER GRANTING MOTION

On April 29, 2002, the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") entered an Order Prescribing Notice and Inviting Comments and/or Requests for Hearing in the above-captioned matter. On April 20, 2002, an Amending Order was entered to identify more clearly the rate schedules to which the Weather Normalization Adjustment Rider would apply.

Among other things, the April 29, 2002, Order, as amended, directed Commission Staff to investigate the application filed by Virginia Natural Gas, Inc. ("VNG" or the "Company"), and to file a report or testimony, if appropriate, on or before June 21, 2002. The Company was given the opportunity to file a response to the Staff Report, as well as to comments filed by any interested parties, on or before July 1, 2002.

Effective April 9, 2002, the new Case Management System requires that the case number format for all Commission orders change from, <u>e.g.</u>, PUE010663 to the following: PUE-2001-00663.

On June 14, 2002, counsel for VNG filed a Motion for Extension of Time for Commission Staff to File its Report requesting that the deadline for filing the Staff Report and the Company's response to the Staff Report and any comments filed herein be extended to July 12, 2002, and July 19, 2002, respectively. In support of this motion, VNG stated that settlement discussions are underway between the Company, Commission Staff, and the Office of the Attorney General ("OAG"), and that an extension would allow Commission Staff to continue such discussions before finalizing its recommendations. VNG represented that Commission Staff and the OAG agreed with the request for extension of time.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the motion, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the Motion for Extension of Time for Commission Staff to File its Report should be granted, and that the procedural schedule in this matter should be modified as provided below.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) The deadline for Commission Staff to file its report or testimony, if appropriate, shall be extended from June 21, 2002, to July 12, 2002.
- (2) The deadline for the Company to file its response to the Staff Report and any comments filed by interested parties shall be extended from July 1, 2002, to July 19, 2002.

(3) All other provisions of our April 30, 2002, Order Prescribing Notice and Inviting Comments and/or Requests for Hearing, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.